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Dear Mr. Newman,

You may remember me as the guest lecturer on your Swans Tour to Pakistan and Afghanistan in 1974; you invited me to call you up when I was in St. Louis, which I did a month ago, but you were out. I am writing now to say that Dr. David Mac Dowall of University College, Durham, has identified the non-Islamic coins that I photographed from the collection that you bought at Taxila etc - I enclose part of his letter and the list, and hope that you may be able to provide each other with useful information.

With best wishes,

Norman Hammond

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Dear Norman,

At last I am beginning to recover from moving my study twice and I have found the photographs of the coins you sent some time ago, behind a bookcase! I enclose an identification of the pre-Islamic coins. They represent a good cross section of the currency one would expect to find in northern Pakistan. Of particular interest are the three coins labelled Sub Kushan. They have not really been published at all although I suspect they are not uncommon. Two years ago I examined a small hoard containing coins of this type with some later Kushano-Sasanian coppers in Peshawar. I subsequently looked and found the same specimens in the bazaar at Peshawar and Taxila and there are some specimens (not illustrated) from the Taxila excavations in the museum there. The B.M. does in fact have a few coins they acquired from Whitehead and presumably this constituted the late Kushan currency of Gandhara about the 5th-6th Century A.D. I hope to publish a note on the group and on the hoard I examined. It would be interesting to know anything more that your friend can tell me about the locality in which he acquired his three specimens Nos. 5. 10, 11 and it would be attractive to have anote of the weights if that is at all possible.

1. Shahi Vakka Deva 8 - 9 cent. AD Obv. Elephant 1. Rev. Lion r. 2. Kashmir K. Toramana 6 cent. AD Obv. Stg King Rev. goddess 3. Indo-Scythian Azes II early 1 cent. AD Obv. King mounted holding whip Rev. Pallas standing 4. Kushan Vima Kadphises late 1 cent. AD 6bv. Kushan king stg at altar Rev. Siva and the bull 9 Late Kushan 3 - 4 cent AD Obv. crude standing fig of king Rev. remains of Siva and bull 5, 10, 11 Sib Kushan N.W. Punjab 5 cent. AD Obv. remains of stg king Rev. Thomas lines. 13 Bactrian K. Euthydemos c 200 BC Obv. bust of Heracles r. Rev. horse galloping 16 Kushano-Sasanian of Punjab 4 cent. AD probably KOBO Obv. bust of king r. w. Sasanian headdress Rev. fire altar 18 Kushano-Sasanian late 4 cent. AD crude versian of types as 16 6, 7, 8, 12, 14, 17, 19 Islamic.

Pictures are

5 weighs 48 47 \$ 80 3,08 grams # 10 weighs 47 \$ 490 3,10 grams # 11 weighs 51 gr. 3,30 gms

July 6, 1976

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Dear Norman:

I am sorry we didn't see you when you were in St. Louis. Please try again.

We often relive with great enthusiasm the experiences in Afghanistan and Pakistan in 1974. In 1975 we went to Burma and Bhutan which was another wonderful trip for us.

I am amazed at how clear your coin pictures are and am glad MacDowall found several of the pieces interesting to him. I will write him. I was most fortunate to be able to obtain such unusual items. In Delhi I located some terra cotta coin molds in the National Museum and did considerable research on them.

I hope your research and projects are continuing unabated. Evelyn joins me in every good wish.

Cordially,

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